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SUBJ: TERRORISM COMMITTEE AND CONVENTION ON PROTECTION
OF DIPLOMATS

SUMMARY. 8 MAY MEETING OF SELECTED WEO'S REVEALED CERTAIN
PESSIMISM CONCERNING JULY/ AUGUST SESSION OF AD HOC COMITE
ON TERRORISM AND GENERAL WILLINGNESS, ALTHOUGH NOT WITHOUT
SKEPTICISM AS TO RESULT, TO PRESS FOR COMPLETION OF
CONVENTION ON PROTECTION OF DIPLOMATS DURING 1973 GA.
LENGTHY SEPARATE DISCUSSION WITH CANADIAN MISSION SUGGESTS
GOC MAY BE MOVING AWAY FROM A CPD BASED ON ANTI- HIJACKING
TREATY PRECEDENTS. END SUMMARY.

1. BELGIAN MISSION HOSTED INFORMAL DISCUSSION 8 MAY OF WEO
ANTI- TERRORISM ACTIVISTS INCLUDING US, AUSTRIA, BELGIUM,
CANADA, ITALY, NETHERLANDS, SWEDEN AND UK. AUSTRALIA AND
FRG UNABLE TO ATTEND; WILL BE BRIEFED BY BELGIUM.
PRINCIPAL SUBJECT DISCUSSED WAS 16 JULY - 10 AUGUST FIRST
SESSION OF AD HOC COMITE ON TERRORISM (CT) AND INTERNATIONAL
LAW COMMISSION DRAFT CONVENTION ON PROTECTION OF DIPLOMATS
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(CPD). BELGIAN ADVISER VAN BRUSSELEN, WHO HAD TAKEN INITIATIVE IN CALLING MEETING, NOTED SECRETARIAT HAS THUS FAR RECEIVED SOME 18 REPLIES TO SYG' S INQUIRY. OF THESE, ONLY TWO ARE FROM ARAB ST WISH TO QUERY I. R. S. REPRESENTATIVE LONDON, ALBERT P. GIROUX, AS TO TAXABILITY OF THE DOLS. 350 PER MONTH PORTION OF CONTRACT ASCRIBED TO VALUE QUARTERS.

6. TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION IN SEPARATE MESSAGE. ROGERS

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7. TURNING TO CPD, US PARTICIPANT SAID WE CONSIDER PRINCIPAL UN ACTIVITY IN TERRORISM CONTEXT DURING LAST HALF OF 1973 SHOULD BE TO CONCLUDE CPD. HE EXPRESSED ALARM AT NETHERLANDS SUGGESTION THAT ILC DRAFT ARTICLES COULD BE REFERRED BACK TO ILC FOR FURTHER ANALYSIS, AND INSISTED THAT MARGIN OF IMPROVEMENT IN THESE ARTICLES ACCRUING FROM FURTHER COMMISSION REVIEW WOULD NOT COMPENSATE FOR RESULTING DELAY. NETHERLANDS REP SAID THE HOGUE' S EARLIER OPPOSITION TO DRAFT ARTICLES HAD SOFTENED SOMEWHAT, AND THAT WHILE THEY WOULD BE READY TO HAVE ARTICLES REFERRED AGAIN TO THE COMMISSION, THEY WOULD BE PREPARED IN DEFERENCE TO WEO VIEWS TO WORK IN 6 TH COMITE TO CONCLUDE A CPD AT FORTHCOMING SESSION. IN SUBSEQUENT DISCUSSION ITALIAN AND SWEDISH REPS MOST STRONGLY SUPPORTED PROMPTLY COMPLETING CPD, ALTHOUGH EACH INDICATED THEY MIGHT HAVE PARTICULAR, ALBEIT SOLVABLE, PROBLEMS WITH SPECIFICS (NO DETAILS.)

8. DELOFF NOTED TACTICAL IMPORTANCE OF DEVELOPING A COMMON APPROACH TO SYG' S REQUEST FOR COMMENTS ON CPD BY 1 JULY, IF IT AT ALL POSSIBLE. HE CALLED ATTENTION TO HARM THAT COULD BE DONE BY DETAILED TEXTUAL " CRITICISMS" OF DRAFT ARTICLES AND SAID WE BELIEVE OPTIMUM WEO REPLY WOULD BE STATEMENT OF URGENCY

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THAT IF THE SOVIET UNION IS PREPARED TO AGREE TO AN EQUAL AGGREGATE NUMBER OF CENTRAL SYSTEMS ON THE ORDER OF 2350, THE U. S. WOULD BE PREPARED TO CONSIDER MEASURES TO ASSURE THAT THE AGREEMENT WOULD NOT BE CIRCUMVENTED THROUGH DEPLOYMENT OF NON- CENTRAL SYSTEMS. WE PLAN TO ADVISE THE SOVIETS TO THIS EFFECT. WE LOOK FORWARD TO FURTHER CONSULTATION IN THIS COUNCIL BEFORE PROPOSING OR AGREEING TO ANY SPECIFIC MEASURE OF THIS NATURE."

9. PARA 10. CHANGE TO READ, " UNDER OUR PROPOSAL FOR LIMITATIONS ON LAND- BASED MULTIPLE REENTRY VEHICLES, THERE WOULD BE A BAN ON THE DEVELOPMENT, TESTING, PRODUCTION AND DEPLOYMENT OF NEW AND MODIFIED MIRV/ MRV SYSTEMS FOR ICBMS. IN ADDITION THERE WOULD BE A LIMIT ON THE DEPLOYMENT OF MIRV/ MRVS ON EACH SIDE TO THOSE ICBM LAUNCHERS ON WHICH MIRV/ MRV SYSTEMS ARE OPERATIONAL, OR WHICH ARE UNDER CONSTRUCTION OR CONVERSION FOR SUCH MIRV/ MRV SYSTEMS, AS OF AN AGREED DATE. THERE WOULD BE APPROPRIATE COROLLARY CONSTRAINTS TO ENHANCE VERIFICATION

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BY NATIONAL TECHNICAL MEANS. THERE WOULD BE NO RESTRICTIONS ON MULTIPLE REENTRY VEHICLES ON SLBMS."

10. WE NOTE THAT DRAFT DOES NOT DEAL WITH THROW WEIGHT QUESTION. SUGGEST ADDING PARAGRAPH ALONG FOLLOWING LINES:
" WE CONTINUE TO ATTACH IMPORTANCE TO THROW WEIGHT LIMITATION. IN THE CONTEXT OF A PERMANENT AGREEMENT WITH EQUAL AGGREGATE LIMITS AND ADEQUATE CONTROLS ON MIRVS, HOWEVER, A CEILING ON FURTHER INCREASES IN ICBM THROW WEIGHT WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE." ROGERS

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